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August 5, 2003

Michael S. Rogers, Superintendent Kittery Water District 17 State Road Kittery, ME 03904-1565

RE: Leonard Lamberti Request for Exemption from Chapter 65. Docket No. 2003-342

Dear Mr. Rogers:

On March 28, 2003, Leonard Lamberti filed a request for an exemption from section 2(C), of Chapter 65 of the Commission's Rules. The exemption will permit the Kittery Water District (District) to serve Mr. Lamberti's proposed studio apartment (on the second floor of an unattached garage) through a private water line currently serving Mr. Lamberti's primary residence at 23 Clark Road, Eliot, Maine. The service is to be provided subject to the request attached as Exhibit A. Under Chapter 65, the apartment would be served by a main extension to a point opposite the center of the building. The apartment could not be served by the existing private line.

The request is the result of negotiations between the District and Mr. Lamberti. We understand that the District is willing to provide service subject to the terms of the request and Mr. Lamberti has no objection to receiving service subject to those conditions.

The Commission, by its Order in Docket No. 87-10 has delegated to the Director of the Technical Analysis Division the authority to approve exemptions to Chapter 65 of the Commission's Rules. The delegation order requires that the Director of Technical Analysis obtain unanimous consent of the Directors of the Finance, Legal, and Consumer Assistance Divisions prior to approving any exemptions.

I have consulted with the Division Directors and we are in agreement that good cause exists for granting an exemption from the requirements of Chapter 65 of the Commission's Rules for purposes of the Kittery Water District providing service to Leonard

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Lamberti as provided in the attached request dated May 8, 2003. The agreement adequately protects the District and its customers.

Sincerely,

Faith Huntington Acting Director Technical Analysis Division

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cc: Case File